Limerick Nov. 16th 1845

Dear Friend.

Yours of 13th Nov. came to hand yesterday. I find by looking over your former note you were right about having informed me respecting the time of the contemplated meeting to be held in Bermingham. I write now to tell you, that you may appoint any time you think proper, - after a week from Monday the 17th inst. I pledge myself - to be on hand.

I regret that Circumstances here make it necessary for me to break my engagement to be in Dublin on the 20th When I engaged to do so I supposed I could lecture here on the 19th and take the Stage for Dublin on the 20th - but I now find that the room, in which I was to lecture had been previously ~~lent~~ engaged to a company who are to have a Ball on that Evening. This however should not have prevented me, but that a number of young gentlemen here who have become

entrusted in me and my mission

I am very anxious - and have really prepared to give me a Lecture on Friday Evening next. It seems a pity to disappoint them. Besides the old maxim, "that a bird in hand is worth two in the bush, applies with some force in this instance. I have therefore consented to stay over Friday. You may ~~Make~~ feel assured if health and strength permits I shall be with you on Saturday Evening next. Many thanks for the friendly interest you have taken - and continue to take in my welfare. Most truly yours

F. Douglass

P.S. have you ascertained J. N. B.'s Post Office, address- and have you written to him, If he has not come to Dublin please write him to meet me in Burmingham at such time as you may appoint again

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